WELCOME CLASS OF 2027 FAMILIES

Parent Night :)



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FIRST THINGS FIRST:

1. GRADUATION





IS MY STUDENT ON TRACK TO GRADUATE?

All families should have received a letter home regarding your students graduation status.



D'S OR BETTER!

Subject Requirement	Tracy High
History	3 years
English	4 years
Mathematics	2 years (including Algebra)
Science	3 years (Biology, Chem or Physics, 3rd year any science)
Foreign Language	1 year *
Visual/Performing Arts	1 year *
Physical Education	2 years
Electives	70 credits minimum
	220 Credits Required

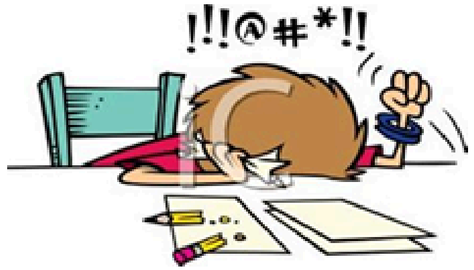
IF YOUR SENIOR IS BEHIND...

PROGRAM NAME	COST	FORMAT	LOCATION
Edgenuity	FREE	Online @ School	THS A-G
Silicon Valley HS	$125/class	Online	AT HOME A-G
BYU Independent Study HS	VARIES	Online	AT HOME A-G
UC SCOUT	VARIES	Online	AT HOME A-G
TUSD Summer School	FREE	Online @ School	TUSD - TBD A-G
Tracy Adult School	FREE	In Person	TAS/AT HOME

IF YOU ARE CONCERNED ABOUT GRADUATION, CONTACT US EARLY. WE HAVE FAR MORE OPTIONS IN SEPTEMBER THAN WE DO IN MAY!

IS THIS YOU?

GO TO LEARNING LAB!



	AM	PM	
MON	**Math** Lunetta (A110) 7:30-8:30		
TUE	**ELA** Zamora (A218) 8:00-8:30 **Math** Lunetta (A110) 7:30-8:30	**Spanish** Vargas Cortes (D102) 3:50-4:20 **Math** Piuser (A111) 3:50-4:20	**Social Studies** Woodward (D102) 3:50-4:20 **Social Studies** Gonzalez (A209) 3:50-4:50
WED	**Math** Lunetta (A110) 7:30-8:30	**ELA** Zamora (A218) 4:00-4:30	
THU	**ELA** Zamora (A218) 8:00-8:30 **Math** Lunetta (A110) 7:30-8:30		
FRI	**Math** Lunetta (A110) 7:30-8:30		

ASK A QUESTION
DROP IN FOR 2 MINUTES
STAY THE HOUR

- GET HELP WITH HOMEWORK
- STUDY ALONE OR WITH FRIENDS
- WE ARE HERE TO HELP!

TUTORING OPPORTUNITIES!

ATTENDANCE & SENIORITIS

THIS APPLIES TO EVERY SENIOR!!

- 15 hours or more of Saturday School: lose work permit, lose off campus pass, activity/social probation (until hours are reduced).



THIS INCLUDES SPORTS!

- Missing school can quickly snowball, seniors still have to attend and pass their classes.

STUDENTS CANNOT HAVE ANY SATURDAY SCHOOL HOURS IF THEY WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN GRADUATION.

STUDENT

Activity	Criteria for Participation
Senior Trips/ Magic Mountain / Beach Day/ Senior Breakfast/ Senior Grad Nite/ Senior Sober Nite	Senior status with 190 completed credits at fourth quarter progress report posting. All non-T.U.S.D. credits that are required for the student to graduate must be posted by May 1st. Good Behavior Standing: All Saturday School cleared, and all outstanding consequences satisfied from previous referrals. Cannot be in danger of failing any courses required for graduation, according to most recent report card and/or progress report. All fees cleared.
Graduation Ceremony	Name on the final graduation list and positive participation in all graduation practices. Good Behavior Standing: All Saturday School cleared, and all outstanding consequences satisfied from previous referrals. All fees cleared.
Prom/Military Ball	15 Saturday School hours or less; no library or ASB fines. Good behavior standing.
Social Probation	Any senior on Probation #1 or #2 may not participate in any senior social/extracurricular activity, including but not limited to the following: Prom/Dances Senior Grad Night Trip Senior Banquet/Breakfast Senior Beach Day Graduation Ceremonies

HANDBOOK

2. WHAT HAPPENS AFTER GRADUATION?





THERE ISN'T JUST ONE RIGHT STEP...

WORKFORCE

COMMUNITY COLLEGE

4 YEAR UNIVERSITY

TRADE SCHOOL

MILITARY

UNION

OUR EXPECTATION ISN'T THAT EVERY STUDENT GOES TO COLLEGE.
OUR EXPECTATION IS THAT EVERY STUDENT HAS A PLAN.

FOR THE 4-YEAR COLLEGE BOUND STUDENT



| 23 CSU CAMPUSES

- **A-G requirements**
- **Cal State Apply**
- **Minimum - 2.5**
- **Deadline: November 30th**



| 9 UC CAMPUS

- **A-G requirements**
- **UC Application**
- **Minimum - 3.0**
- **PIQ's**
- **Deadline: November 30th**

Private/Out-of-State

- **Requirements and deadlines vary**
- **Common App is frequently used**
- **Check individual institutions**

C'S OR BETTER!

Subject Requirement	Colleges/Universities ↓
History	2 years
English	4 years
Mathematics	3 years (4 yrs. recommended)
Science	2 years (Lab sciences, 3 yrs. recommended)
Foreign Language	2 years (3 years recommended)
Visual/Performing Arts	1 year
Physical Education	none
Electives	1 year (must be a-g approved)
	Grade of C or Better Required

COMMUNITY COLLEGE



116 COMMUNITY COLLEGES

California Community Colleges | CCCApply

- Open-access admission
- Affordable
- Associate degrees
- Career/technical certificates
- Transfer to CSU/UC
- Associate Degree for Transfer
- TAG opportunities where applicable
- Great option for students who are undecided

Applications typically open 2nd semester.

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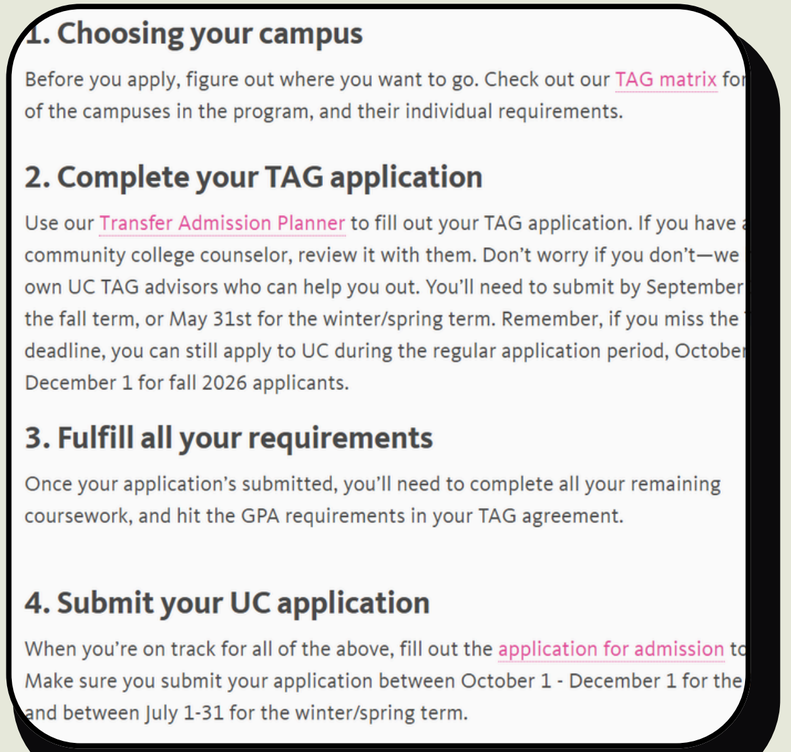
COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO UC

TAG by campus

- Davis
- Irvine
- Merced
- Riverside
- Santa Barbara
- Santa Cruz

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Almost 50% of our graduating seniors go directly to a community college year after year. one of the benefits is the **transfer agreement guarantee** with the university of california.



1. Choosing your campus

Before you apply, figure out where you want to go. Check out our TAG matrix for of the campuses in the program, and their individual requirements.

2. Complete your TAG application

Use our Transfer Admission Planner to fill out your TAG application. If you have a community college counselor, review it with them. Don't worry if you don't—we own UC TAG advisors who can help you out. You'll need to submit by September the fall term, or May 31st for the winter/spring term. Remember, if you miss the deadline, you can still apply to UC during the regular application period, October December 1 for fall 2026 applicants.

3. Fulfill all your requirements

Once your application's submitted, you'll need to complete all your remaining coursework, and hit the GPA requirements in your TAG agreement.

4. Submit your UC application

When you're on track for all of the above, fill out the application for admission to Make sure you submit your application between October 1 - December 1 for the and between July 1-31 for the winter/spring term.

TAG STEPS



What is WUE?

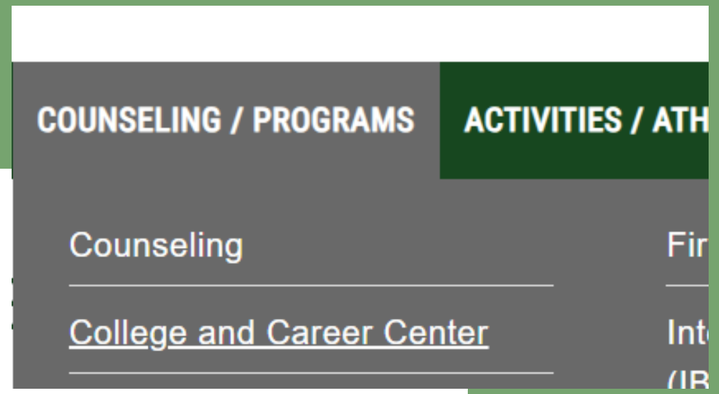
Founded in 1987, the Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE, pronounced “woo-wee”) is a regional tuition savings agreement administered by the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE); the first WUE exchanges began in 1988. WUE enables eligible students to enroll as nonresidents in 170 participating public colleges and universities and pay 150% (or less) of the enrolling institution’s resident tuition—annually saving students an average of $12,517 each on the cost of nonresident tuition.

huge list of schools!

THERE'S COLLEGE APP HELP!

- College Application Workshops: Every Tuesday throughout the months of October and November

(in the library during both lunches)



- ~~Friday, August 28, 2026 - University of the Redlands (2nd lunch in front of cafeteria)~~
- ~~Monday, August 31, 2026 - St. Mary's College (both lunches in front of cafeteria)~~
- ~~Tuesday, September 1, 2026 - CSU Humboldt (both lunches in front of cafeteria)~~
- ~~Wednesday, September 2, 2026 - Tarleton University Texas (both lunches in front of cafeteria)~~
- ~~Friday, September 11, 2026 (2nd lunch) - University of San Diego (both lunches in front of cafeteria)~~
- ~~Tuesday, September 15, 2026 (5th Period) Room A104 - UC Santa Cruz *Admissions Presentation* RSVP - **CLICK HERE** ACTIVITY FORM REQUIRED - **CLICK HERE**~~
- ~~Tuesday, September 15, 2026 (6th Period) Room A104 - *UC Application Workshop* - RSVP - **CLICK HERE** ACTIVITY FORM REQUIRED - **CLICK HERE**~~
- ~~Monday, September 21, 2026 (3rd Period) Room A104 - CSU Stanislaus *Admissions Presentation* - RSVP - **CLICK HERE** ACTIVITY FORM REQUIRED - **CLICK HERE**~~
- ~~Monday, September 21, 2026 - CSU Stanislaus (both lunches in front of cafeteria)~~
- Thursday, Oct 1, 2026 Both Lunches Room A104 - CSU East Bay *Admissions Presentation* RSVP - **CLICK HERE**
- Thursday, Oct 1, 2026 (5th Period) Room A104 - *CSU Application Workshop* RSVP - **CLICK HERE** ACTIVITY FORM REQUIRED - **CLICK HERE**
- Tuesday, October 20, 2026 - University of San Francisco (both lunches in front of cafeteria)
- Tuesday, November 17, 2026 (5th Period) Room A104 - SJDC *Application Support* RSVP - **CLICK HERE** ACTIVITY FORM REQUIRED - **CLICK HERE**

TRADE SCHOOL

APPRENTICESHIPS

Attend a school/program to learn a skilled career	Learn the career while actually working in the field
Primarily classroom + hands-on lab training	Primarily on-the-job training + some classroom instruction
Students may **pay tuition**	Apprentices are generally **paid employees**
Often takes **several months–2 years**	Often takes **2–5 years**, depending on the occupation/program
Can lead to a certificate, diploma, or industry credential	Leads to substantial work experience and often an industry credential
After training, you typically **apply for jobs**	You're already **working while you're training**
Examples: welding, automotive, HVAC, cosmetology	Common in electrical, plumbing, HVAC, carpentry, sheet metal, etc.

Trade School: Learn first, then get the job.

Apprenticeship: Get the job, learn while you work.

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CAREER CENTER

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Industrial Relations

These opportunities have application processes and deadlines too!

MILITARY OPTIONS

Branches:

- Army
- Navy
- Air Force
- Marines
- Coast Guard
- Space Force
- National Guard/ Reserve

Things to Consider:

- ASVAB
- Enlistment requirements
- Training
- Education benefits
- ROTC/service academies

Encourage your students to ask questions and understand the commitment, job/MOS, contract and benefits before signing anything!!!

WORKFORCE

- Create a professional résumé
- Obtain references
- Practice interviewing
- Create a professional email
- Clean up public-facing social media
- Start searching for jobs before graduation
- Learn how to complete online applications
- Learn basic workplace expectations

The more specific the plan, the better!

“I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT I WANT TO DO”

Things to do:

- Take career/interest assessments
- Explore careers through CaliforniaColleges.edu
- Talk with counselors
- Attend college & career fairs
- Meet visiting representatives
- Job shadow
- Start at community college while exploring

It's okay not to know.

It's not okay to stop exploring!





COLLEGE AND CAREER TECH!

STEPHANIE PRICE
SPRICE@TUSD.NET EXT. 2034

MONDAY - FRIDAY 8:30 AM TO 3:00 PM
(LUNCH 12:35 - 1:05PM)
ROOM A104

WALK INS AND APPOINTMENTS ARE WELCOME, ALSO BEFORE SCHOOL, BOTH LUNCHES, AND MONDAYS AFTER SCHOOL (CLOSED DURING BREAKS)



STUDENTS SHOULD UTILIZE THE COLLEGE AND CAREER CENTER!



SHE DOES SO MUCH, I CAN'T FIT IT ON A SLIDE!

CALENDAR

There are no events to display

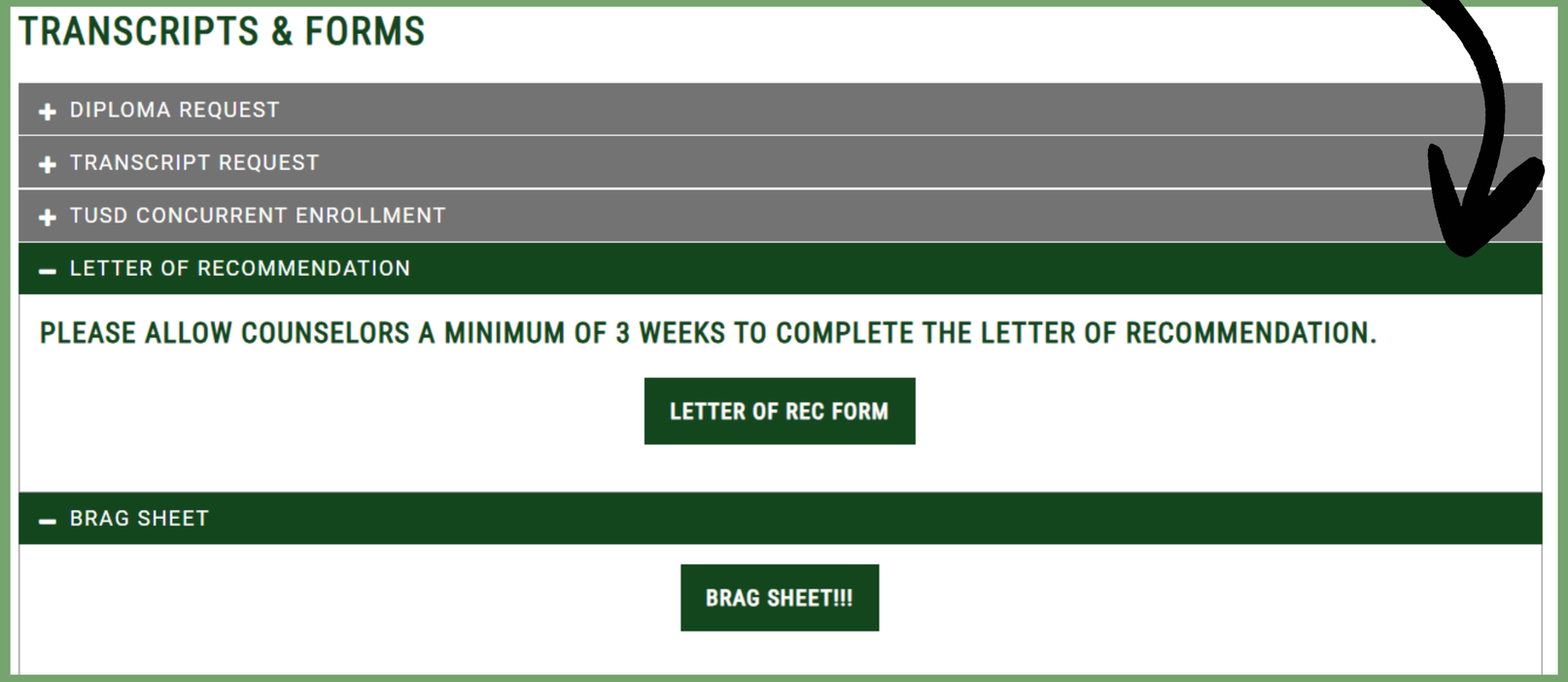
Resources for students include:

- Resume Building, Mock Interviews, Career Closet
- Internship, Volunteer, and Job Postings
- ASVAB Test (Typically twice a year, Fall and Spring) - The ASVAB is an aptitude test that measures your developed abilities to understand your skill strengths. Whether you plan to enter the workforce, pursue further education at a university, community college, vocational institution or the military, this test helps prepare you for future success. There is no military commitment.
- Military and College Representative Visits
- College Application Support
- Financial Aid Workshops
- Trade School/Vocational School Information
- Scholarships (THS, Local Area, and State/National)
- CTE Programs and Career Information
- Resources for Planning Your Future - CLICK HERE
- Various career assessments to explore:
  - California Colleges Career Assessments
  - Myers Briggs
  - Big Future College Board Career Interest
  - Holland Code



NEED A LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION OR OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT?

ON THE THS COUNSELING WEBSITE



WE NEED AT LEAST 3 WEEKS TO COMPLETE A LETTER OF REC!

START WORKING ON IT NOW

3. POST GRAD MONEY?!?



MONEY OPPORTUNITY #1

SCHOLARSHIPS!

THS/local scholarships
Community organizations
Employer scholarships
College-specific scholarships
Trade/CTE scholarships
National scholarships

MOST REQUIRE:

- Community service
- Extra curricular activities
- Good grades
- Letter(s) of recommendation (makes sure to get this **ink signed** from recommender with their business email address and business contact information)
- Essay/personal statement

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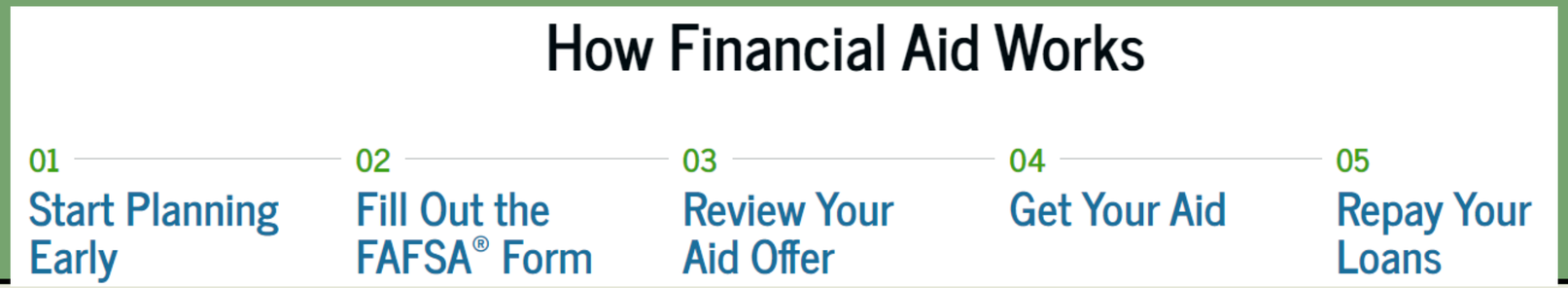
Community service, Career goals, Activities, Athletics, Financial need, Leadership, Specific majors/trades, Personal circumstances

MONEY OPPORTUNITY #2

FAFSA/CADAA

Every family should complete their FAFSA, this is the only way for a student to be considered for financial aid, certain grants, scholarships, work study, etc.

FILLING IT OUT DOES NOT COMMIT YOU TO TAKING LOANS, IT SIMPLY ALLOWS COLLEGES TO DETERMINE WHAT FINANCIAL AID YOUR STUDENT MAY QUALIFY FOR.



FAFSA HELP???

All seniors will receive a FAFSA/CADAA presentation the week after we return from fall break!



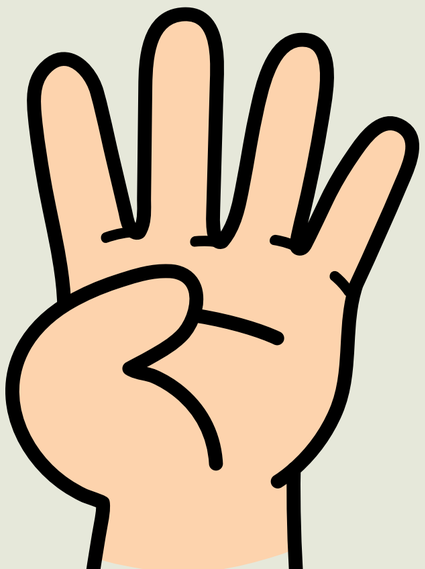
FAFSA, CADAA, CASH FOR COLLEGE WORKSHOPS, & FINANCIAL RESOURCES

- + Financial Aid and Cash for College Workshops
- + FAFSA and CADAA
- + FAFSA Next Steps
- + Cal Grant Resources
- + Understanding your Finances - A Guide for College Students Resource
- + Cal KIDS
- + CSS Profile
- + Foster Youth Caregiver
- + Chafee
- + Undocumented Resources
- + Financial Aid Appeal

FAFSA WORKSHOPS WILL BE OFFERED IN JAN!

PHEW, THAT WAS A LOT...

#4. FINISHING SENIOR YEAR





AND MAKING THE MOST OF IT!

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THS Counselors 💚🧡

tracyhighactivities
Tracy High School

tracyhighcareercenter

tracyhighseniors27
TRACY HIGH SENIORS 💜





FALL

- Register for Grad Nite by 10/1 (Disneyland)
- Senior Portraits: Final Day October 17th
- Senior FAFSA Presentation: 10/15
- Parent Teacher Conferences: 10/19
- Fall Break - Next Week
  (Friday is minimum day)
- Thanksgiving Break and Veterans Day
- Order Cap and Gown (early bird discount)
- ASVAB test - Nov 4th
- Winter Formal: 11/14 from 8-11PM
- (Born on the Bayou)

ON-GOING

- CONFIRM GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
- EXPLORE COLLEGE, CAREER, TRADE, MILITARY & APPRENTICESHIP OPTIONS
- COMPLETE APPLICATIONS & TRACK DEADLINES
- START FAFSA/CADAA & SCHOLARSHIPS
- ATTEND WORKSHOPS HOSTED BY CCC



WINTER

- Finals: Dec 16, 17, 18 (all minimum days)
- Winter Break: 12/21 - 1/5
- Hoopla (Basketball Homecoming)
- Sutter Nurse and Kaiser Permanente Visit (Feb)

ON-GOING

- COMPLETE FINANCIAL AID REQUIREMENTS
- CONTINUE APPLYING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS
- KEEP GRADES & ATTENDANCE STRONG
- COMPLETE APPLICATION PORTALS AND EMAILS
- ATTEND WORKSHOPS HOSTED BY CCC
- KEEP HOURS DOWN!



ON-GOING

- REVIEW ACCEPTANCES, OFFERS & FINANCIAL AID
- CHOOSE A COLLEGE, PROGRAM, JOB OR NEXT STEP
- COMPLETE ENROLLMENT, HOUSING & ORIENTATION REQUIREMENTS
- STAY ON TRACK FOR GRADUATION

SPRING

- Prom will be April 10th.
- Spring Break
- Final senior closing out presentation
  Theme and Location to be revealed.
- Grad Nite will be Friday, May 7th.
  We will be returning Saturday May 8th.
- Senior Beach Day
- Senior Breakfast
- Senior Decision Day
- Ag/Sci Awards Night
- IB Awards Night
- EL Awards Night
- PAM Awards Night
- Scholarship Awards Night
- Clearance Cards
- Senior Ditch Day??
- Finals: Varies by teacher!



SUMMER

- **Grad Practice & GRADUATION!!!!!!!! (5/27/2027)**

.....and you officially have a high school graduate):

Senior year is a milestone for your student,
but it's a milestone for you, too.
Thank you for being their #1 supporter!
Here's to one final year of memories before
they take their next big step.


THANK YOU!!!
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